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PERSONAL.

Miss Edna Boney, who is attending Queen College, Charlotte, N. C., has arrived at home for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Allene Carroll is at home from Converse College for the holidays.

Mrs. T. W. Sessions, of Lynchburg, spent Tuesday in town.

Governor-elect Thos. G. McLeod spent yesterday in the city.

Mrs. H. E. Drevenstedt is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Haynsworth.

Mr. E. H. Wells, of Oakland, Cal., is spending the holidays in the city with relatives. Mr. Wells is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wells, who went west a number of years ago and has prospered in his adopted home.

Clifford Crawford is at home convalescing from a case of the flu. He expects to be out in a few days, and start to enjoying the holidays with his home folks before going back to school at Davidson College.

Mrs. O. T. Dotson and family of Ocean View, Va., are here to spend the holidays with Mrs. Dotson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Evans, Sr., on E. Bartlett St.

Mr. W. C. Wolfe is spending the holidays with his family at the corner of Church street and Hampton avenue.

Mr. W. H. Peters of Columbia was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. Thomas McMillin Stubbs, who is attending the law department of Harvard University, is at home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stubbs.

Mr. J. B. Bowers and son, J. J. Bowers, of Lancaster, spent part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McManus.

Many friends of Mrs. E. S. McManus will be glad to know that she is able to be out again after an illness of four weeks.

The following who are pursuing their studies at the Presbyterian College of South Carolina have returned home for the holidays: John Shaw, Robert Edmunds, Donald Kirwin, James Radfield, Frank Clarke, DeSaussure Edmunds, Henry McLaughlin, Harrell Whilden, Marion Foxworth, Eddie McCaskill and Henry Edmunds.

Miss Dorothy Shaw has returned home for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. William O. Peterkin, Mrs. Julian Hennig, Mrs. Mortimer Jacoby, Miss Elizabeth Barnes, and Messrs. John A. Crawford, John H. Goodwyn, Philip Assey, Walter Goltz, Frank E. Sims, and Daniel Reed, members of the Columbia Stage Society who presented "Enter Madame" at the opera house Tuesday night, returned to Columbia Wednesday morning.

Missessie Mears and Nancy Carroll left the city Wednesday morning, Mrs. Mears to Columbia, and Miss Carroll to Chester, where they will spend the holidays.

Mr. Alva Spann, who is attending Trinity College, Durham, N. C., is at home for the holidays.

Mr. Hughson Green returned to Columbia Wednesday morning.

Mr. DuPre Rhame, attending Furman University, is spending the holidays at home.

Misses Agnes and Josephine Hannah and Miss M. S. McCauley left Tuesday for their home in Virginia, where they will spend the holidays.

Miss Carrie Roddy left Wednesday morning for her home in Rock Hill.

Miss Bertha Creighton will spend the holidays at home in North Augusta, S. C.

The following other teachers have left the city to spend the holidays at their homes: Miss Eunice Long to Prosperity; Miss Isabelle Williams to Cordelle, Ga.; Miss Ruth Harrington to Cheraw; Miss Bertha Hasty to Calhoun, Ga.; Miss L. H. McNally to Union; Mr. E. L. Williams to Andrews, and Mr. H. F. Duncan to Cheraw.

Miss Katherine Platt who has been attending St. Mary's School in Raleigh, N. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. T. Broadwell.

Mr. W. H. Dargan, principal of the Boys' High School, leaves tonight for Little Rock, S. C., where he will spend the holidays.

Mrs. Edward Wright and son of Smithfield, N. C., are visiting Mrs. Wright's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Bland.

Mrs. C. W. Smith and daughter Alice left Wednesday morning for Woodruff, S. C., to spend the holidays.

Mrs. C. W. Coffeld, of Atlanta, has arrived in the city, having been called on account of the illness of her brother, Mr. Mott Lawrence, who has been very ill for several days.

Mr. T. L. Yarborough of this city was operated on Monday night at the Toumey Hospital.

Mrs. Ferd Levi returned from New York on Tuesday.

The many friends of Mrs. Fantl, Mrs. Levi's sister, will be glad to learn that she is now convalescent.

Mr. Burgess Butman has returned home from Catholic University in Washington, to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Eugene Moses, who has been attending Georgetown University, arrived in the city Thursday for the holidays.

Mr. Perry Moses has returned from a business trip to New York.

Misses Blanche Spann and Emmie Osteen, who are attending Chocoma College, returned home Wednesday afternoon for the holidays.

Miss Lois Shirer is home from Winthrop College for the holidays.

Miss Mary Alice Haiger will spend Friday with Mrs. J. D. Shirer on her way from Southport, N. C., to her home in Cameron, S. C.

Mrs. I. A. Ryttenberg, who left for Atlanta Sunday, will join her daughter, Lydia, Thursday, going on to Chicago where they will join Mr. Ryttenberg to spend the Christmas holidays.

Misses Harriet and Sara Lucius passed through the city Wednesday from Chocoma College, going home to spend the holidays.

Miss Isabel Jennings, attending Randolph-Macon, has returned home for the holidays.

Miss Marie Nash, who is connected with Montreat Normal school, returned Thursday morning for the holidays.

Messrs. Charles Cuttino, Joel Hodge, Robert Bland, and Marion Curtis, and Turner Davis have returned from Furman University for the holidays.

Mr. Noble Dick, who is attending Charleston Medical College, has returned home for the holidays.

Ex-Governor Manning was a visitor in the city Thursday.

The following young ladies, who are attending Winthrop College have returned home for the holidays: Misses Annie Laurie Booth, Eleanor Wallace, Margaret Edmunds, Lizzie Brogdon, Lucy Burns, Tottie Turner, Katherine McKagan, Daisy China, Nancy Booth, Catherine Timmerman, Kate Campbell, Ida Cuttino, Irene Dick, May Willis Osteen, Sophie Wells, Laura Mellette, Elizabeth Baker, Doris McCollum, Mabel McCollum, Evelyn Shirer, Ethel Bateman, Mame Wells, Clara Wells.

Miss Harriet Temple is the visitor of Miss Irene Dick for the day.

Mr. Frank Schlar has returned from the University of South Carolina to spend the holidays at home.

Mr. Marion DuRant, who is a student of Columbia Theological Seminary, was in the city Thursday on his way to his home in Alcolu, where he will spend the holidays.

Messrs. George Wray, Henry Shearer, and Blanding Uphur have returned from North Carolina State College to enjoy the holidays at home.

Mrs. M. Pauline Cordes left Thursday for Charleston to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Hugh Fraser has returned to Charleston after spending several weeks with her brother, Mr. J. M. Dick.

Dr. Jamieson Cain left yesterday for Asheville, where he and Miss Mollie Bowman will be married today.

Mrs. R. H. Robinson and children have gone to Baltimore to spend the holidays with relatives.

Miss Sarah Pratt Lapsley, of New York, is visiting Mrs. Robert Sanders on Church St.

Fourth Annual Road Institute. The Fourth Annual Road Institute, under the auspices of the School of Engineering of the University of South Carolina and the State Highway department, will be held at LeConte College, University of South Carolina, on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, January 30, 31, and February 1, 1923.

The program will include morning, afternoon and evening sessions. Eminent speakers will be represented at every session and those attending cannot afford to miss a single session, as every effort has been made to make the entire program valuable, interesting and instructive.

Registration. Registration will take place at LeConte College, Tuesday, January 30, 1923, from 9:30 a. m. to 11:00 a. m. Register promptly and be ready for the regular program which begins at 11:00 a. m. immediately after registration.

Special Features This Year. One evening session will be given over entirely to a radio concert. Those in attendance will hear the musical programs sent out from the broadcasting stations of Pittsburgh, Schenectady, Newark, and other stations which may be selected.

An inspection trip will be made over the hard surfaced roads constructed by Richland county. Automobiles will be furnished and all who desire to make the trip will be given an opportunity to ride many miles over some of the best and most up-to-date highways in America.

The complete program in detail will be announced later.

Walter E. Rowe, Director of Institute.

Name for New Creamery. The new creamery established by the Sumter Ice & Fuel Co., which will begin operations January 1st, has been named "The Standard Creamery" and the butter that will be produced will be marketed under the brand "Gold Band."

The Sumter Ice & Fuel Company offered a prize of \$750 for the most appropriate name for the creamery and a prize of the same amount for the most suitable name for the butter.

The suggestion for the name for the creamery was submitted by Mrs. F. Leon Scott, 214 West Calhoun street, and the name for the butter was made by Mr. W. J. Crowson, Sr., 130 Broad St.

Much attention is being attracted by the Ford locomotive and big guns, constructed entirely of Ford parts, which are being displayed at H. C. Bland Motor Company. Their uniqueness is the outstanding feature, and yet they markedly resemble a real train and a real cannon. Many children have peeped in with a pleasing expression of admiration for their faces, and hoping that Santa Claus has such a constructive mind.

Some people welcome the arrival of real winter and are hoping for a White Christmas. These folks should move to Canada.

Refrigerator cars are handling Christmas mail so try to keep cool until your packages come.

Once your friends put you hep but now they put you hip.

MORE MONEY NEEDED FOR NEW WARSHIPS

Scrapping of Battleships Does Not Seem to Have Accomplished Much Toward Limitation of Naval Armament

Washington, Dec. 20. (By the Associated Press)—Relative fighting efficiency of British and American battleships, particularly at long range, were understood today to have been called sharply to the attention of the senate naval committee in consideration of the pending naval appropriation bill. Naval officers are known to be greatly concerned on the point, as the British have virtually completed 15 post-war modernization of their 10-inch gun ships and no start on similar work has yet been made in the American navy.

The effect of the British post-war improvement, it was said today in naval circles, was to give the entire British fleet a range of 30,000 yards against a maximum of 20,000 yards for all American battleships, but the Tennessee, California, Maryland, Colorado and West Virginia, in addition as permitted under the Washington treaty, the British ships have been equipped with "blister" anti-torpedo construction and their decks armored against airplane bombs and high angle fire.

A rough estimate of the cost of modernizing American ships in the same way, so far as increasing gun elevations, and strengthening decks is concerned, is approximately \$60,000,000. In the British program as much as \$4,000,000 is said to have been expended on a single ship.

When naval estimates were under consideration in the budget bureau and later before the house appropriations subcommittee, it was said, funds were asked by navy officials for a limited program beginning this year on making battleships to be retained under the treaty. The items presented called for conversion of coal burning battleships of the 14 inch gun type to oil burners and the installation of five inch anti-aircraft batteries to replace all present three inch guns on the big ships. The items went out both before the budget bureau and subcommittee, but there are indications that more urgent representations are being made to the senate.

Change from coal to oil fuel is of vital importance in widening the effective radius of action of the ships, it was explained by naval officers, while substitution of five inch anti-aircraft batteries means using shells with a 50 yard burst instead of the 25 yard area covered by three inch projectile. In other words, it was said, a curtain of fire against aircraft with five inch guns would need one-half the number of guns in action to make it effective.

The most striking point to which attention is being directed, however, is that of long range big gun fire. Opposed to modernized British fleet today naval officers have stated the bulk of the American fleet would face the necessity of closing in five miles under salvo fire before they could bring their own guns to bear. As the British ships are also faster, it is said, the possibility of bringing the entire fleet into action would be negligible. Older American battleships as well as the British ships now modernized were designed and built before the possibilities of aircraft "spotting" were seen. Their guns have a range up to the limit of vision from the spotting tops of the ships, which is 20,000 yards under most favorable conditions. Tests with aircraft, however, have fully demonstrated both in American and British naval opinion based on war lessons that fire can be made effective against ships entirely out of sight over the horizon. The British are said to have acted on this knowledge in making the costly changes necessary to raise turret guns to a 30 degree firing elevation as compared to the old 11 or 12 degree maximum.

The decision of Judge Memminger in the case involving the enforcement of the law prohibiting the sale or having in possession meat of any kind except such meat as is derived from animals slaughtered in the city abattoir or federally inspected is printed in full today. It will be of especial interest to residents of this city and citizens of the county, in view of the fact that the Sumter City Abattoir will be in operation within a few weeks, and a law similar to that effective in Charleston will be enforced here.

When a man is talking to himself he believes everything he hears.

Some women want housewives for Christmas but movie actresses are considered more useful.

People saying for a rainy day find Christmas an annual cloud-burst.

Eyeglasses are cheaper and now you don't have to look over the top so you won't wear them out.

Have you a man friend you like? Give him a misused used car.

Education increases your earning capacity unless you happen to become an educator.

Turkey refuses to place a limit on her army which is the limit.

WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF

Charleston, Dec. 19.—Vice President Coolidge will be the principal speaker here tonight at the annual New England society dinner. He arrived this morning and spoke at the Charleston College and orphan home and then toured the city and harbor.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The appropriation bills for the treasury and labor departments were sent to the president today by congress.

Charleston, Dec. 19.—Six women and four men were injured today when a Seaboard passenger train hit a trolley car on the outskirts of the city. None was seriously hurt.

Turin, Italy, Dec. 19.—Fighting has again broken out here between the Fascist and Communists. Ten have been killed.

Salt Lake City, Dec. 19.—Henry G. Boonstra, the missing airmail pilot, was found alive and well at a ranch. His airplane was forced down by a blizzard while enroute to Rock Springs, Wyoming, according to advices to officials here today.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 19.—Federal prohibition officers today raided the exclusive Southern club here. They confiscated a small quantity of whiskey but nobody was arrested.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The federal council of the churches of Christ in America today asked hundred thousand congregations in America to observe December 24th as world peace Sunday.

Denver, Dec. 19.—The police today admitted they had lost trace of the three bandits who seized two hundred thousand dollars from guards at the mint here yesterday.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The justice department is preparing to file suit against the Wright-Martin Aircraft Corporation to recover a war claim for over three and half million dollars. Assistant Attorney General Seymour told the house judiciary committee at the hearing of impeachment charges against Attorney General Daugherty.

Los Angeles, Dec. 20.—The condition of Wallace Reid, the actor, whose health broke down after he quit liquor and drugs, was reported improved today.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Former Secretary of War Baker today appeared before the special grand jury that is investigating war frauds.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 20.—Hundreds of textile mills in North and South Carolina today prepared to resume their normal schedule, following the power curtailment program in force since November 27. Officials of the Southern Power company announced that the curtailment would be formally annulled today.

New York, Dec. 20.—Twenty-two civilian employees of the Brooklyn naval base were arrested today. They were indicted several months ago by a federal grand jury in connection with alleged thefts of more than a million dollars worth of government property. Department of justice agents made the arrests.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The senate judiciary committee today heard witnesses called by Senator Dial to relate circumstances alleged to support charges that Joseph W. Tolbert of South Carolina, Republican national committeeman, had received financial offers for use of his influence. Considered charge that Tolbert, who has been nominated for United States marshal sold patronage. Tolbert appeared in his own behalf. The hearing was executive.

Lausanne, Dec. 20.—Ismet Pasha today announced to the American correspondents the receipt of a message from Mustapha Kemal announcing that the American college at Smyrna could reopen. He said the nationalists were not opposed to American schools in Turkey.

Warsaw, Dec. 20.—Stanislas Wojciechowski today was elected president of Poland.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Former Governor Cooper of South Carolina rallied satisfactorily from a minor operation, performed last night at a local hospital, it was reported today. He will be out in a few days.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Cotton ginned prior to December 13th totaled 9,493,296 bales, included were 24,613 bales American Egyptian, 5,255 sea island, the census bureau announced today. The South Carolina crop was 502,534; North Carolina 332,205.

Merrouge, La., Dec. 21.—Divers today began a search of the bottom of Lake LaFourche for the bodies of Watt Daniel and Thomas Richards, who have been missing since five citizens were kidnapped by masked men on August 24th. A detachment of state troops assisted the divers and guarded them. State authorities and detectives working on the case decline to either affirm or deny the reported finding of the bodies.

Marion, Ill., Dec. 21.—Two state witnesses today said that Hugh Willis, the miners' union official, was in the Herrin riot mob. They were uncertain about his identification, however, on cross examination.

Witnesses testified in the trial of the five men charged with murder in connection with the riots.

Columbia, Dec. 21.—Freezing weather that has coated wires with ice was followed by a steady drizzle today which demoralized wire communications. The weather bureau promises better conditions tonight.

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 21.—Basil H. Hedge, former cashier of the Home Banking company, of High Point, was convicted today of making a false entry in the account of one of their customers.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The navy appropriation bill with the house provision asking the president to call another disarmament conference and limit the building of warships under ten thousand tons was reported to the senate today.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Harvie Jordan of St. Matthews, S. C., national secretary and treasurer of the American Cotton association, said today, relative to the present and future cotton situation:

"The recent forecast of the federal crop reporting bureau indicates the smallest cotton crop grown in the United States since 1903, with the exception of the disastrously short crop of 1921. The heaviest reduction in production this year is in the old cotton growing states east of the Mississippi river. If better success is not had in 1923 a world famine in raw cotton supplies is definitely assured."

The most serious factor developing in connection with the cotton boll weevil menace is found in the steady and increasing exodus of thousands of negro and small white tenant farmers from the South Atlantic and Middle Gulf cotton states. The white farmers, with their families, are moving to cotton mill centers in the Carolinas and Georgia, while the negro farmers are migrating to large industrial centers in the middle, eastern and western states. Due to the extreme hazards of growing cotton under heavy weevil infestation and in the absence of usual credits from landlords, supply merchants or local banks, these people are becoming discouraged and forced to secure other employment to obtain a living wage for themselves and families.

Numbers of cotton plantations are being depopulated and this condition presents a most serious agricultural economic situation in the sections affected. The negro farm laborers who have gone and who are leaving are not likely ever to return. There have been no young mules shipped into the old cotton states for farm purposes since the spring of 1920, and this shortage in mule power, together with hundreds of abandoned farms, gives a gloomy outlook for cotton production in 1923.

"The American Cotton association is making every effort, through the establishment of county demonstration farms and boll weevil control measures, to overcome the disasters of the weevil in 1923."

"I came here to attend the convention of the National Cooperative Marketing associations, as a representative of the American Cotton association, which has actively aided in the organization of cooperative marketing associations throughout the cotton belt."

"For the last three years the American Cotton association has waged a persistent fight for federal legislation for a comprehensive system of intermediate agricultural banking credits. Officials of the association have spent much time in Washington and in appearing before the senate agricultural committee in advocacy of this imperatively needed legislation. Conditions now appear satisfactory, and American farmers, I feel, can be assured of a solution of this matter in the near future, as both the present administration and the congress are definitely committed to the speedy enactment of an agricultural banking bill that will give necessary credits to farmers. The advocacy of this legislation is among the principal reasons of my presence in Washington, together with other officials of the American Cotton association."

Somehow, isolation doesn't seem quite so splendid when you reflect that a friendly word would place the other fellow on his feet.

Christmas doesn't cost a bachelor as much but it isn't worth as much.

COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK COTTON

	Open	High	Low	Close	Yards
Jan.	25.50	25.65	25.47	25.58	25.57
March	25.63	25.78	25.68	25.83	25.82
May	25.60	25.74	25.54	25.60	25.67
July	25.75	25.92	25.75	25.85	25.87
Oct.	26.17	26.26	26.15	26.23	26.26
Dec.	25.70	25.78	25.55	25.65	25.84

Spots 15 off, 25.90.

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May	25.60	25.74	25.54	25.60	25.67
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Dec.	25.70	25.78	25.55	25.65	25.84

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Liverpool Cotton.

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March	25.63	25.78	25.68	25.83	25.82
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Receipts, 45,000 bales, 42,000 Middling, 14,280 Good Middling, 15,030.

Trying to Push Ship Bill Aside

Both Sides Struggle For Dominance in Senate—Matter is Unsettled

Washington, Dec. 18.—Supporters of the administration shipping bill and members of an alliance between opponents of the measure and proponents of the Norris agricultural financing bill struggled for dominance in the senate today without definite result.

The issue, which was before the senate throughout a six-hour session, was embodied in the motion of Senator Norris, of Nebraska, chairman of the agriculture committee, and a leader in the new progressive bloc, to lay aside the ship bill and to take up the senator's own measure to create a government capitalized agency to buy and sell farm products. The question was the subject of numerous conferences and several speeches, including the maiden address of Senator Brookhart, Republican, Iowa.

An attempt was made soon after the session began to obtain unanimous consent for a vote on the motion late tomorrow and appeared on the point of success, but a wrangle over the detail blocked the vote. Renewed efforts are to be made tomorrow with prospects favoring a vote before adjournment.

Demand that the shipping bill be laid aside was made during the session by Senator Brookhart, Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, and Senator Fletcher, of Florida, leader of the Democratic opposition to the measure. Senator Ransdell, Democrat, Louisiana, in a four-hour speech, urged prompt passage of the legislation while Senator Jones, Republican, Washington, in charge of it, stood firmly on his determination to keep the bill before the senate until rural credits legislation could be reported to the senate by the banking and currency committee. Chairman McLean of this committee, announced during the day that such action might be expected early next week.

One senator—John Sharp Williams, Democrat, Mississippi—announced he would not vote either way on the question, because he said he would feel himself "disgraced either way." He said he had not thought "it was within the realm of human ingenuity to frame a bill worse than the ship subsidy bill" but that Senator Norris by his measure "had accomplished the impossible."

Two Bankruptcy Petitions Filed. Charleston, Dec. 16.—An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in the United States district court here yesterday by creditors against C. M. Davis, Son & Co., of Summerton, Clarendon county, Joseph E. Davis, Clarence N. Sprott and Francis G. Davis being named as the members of the partnership, this being a branch store, it is stated.

A similar petition was filed by other creditors against C. M. Davis, Son & Co., of Davis, Station, Clarendon county, Joseph E. Davis and Clarence N. Sprott being reputed to be the co-partners composing this establishment.

COTTON MILL STATISTICS

Washington, Dec. 19.—Spindle hours in American cotton mills during November numbered eight billion, seven hundred ten million, two hundred twenty-four thousand, seven hundred ninety-four, the census bureau announced. This was four hundred and twenty thousand more than in October. Spindles in place were thirty-seven million, one hundred seventy-five thousand and two hundred thirty-three, of which thirty-four million, six hundred sixty-four thousand, six hundred thirty were operated.